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WINTERFEST 2003 AT MENDON PONDS PARK ***Festivities Coincide with Park's 75th Anniversary***

Monroe County Executive Jack Doyle invited residents to attend the 8th Annual Winterfest at Mendon Ponds Park on Sunday, February 16, 2003 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This year's Winterfest is being co-sponsored by the Monroe County Parks Department and the Rochester Nordic Ski Club.

"Monroe County residents have enjoyed 75 years of recreational activities in Mendon Ponds Park," said County Executive Doyle. "I want to thank the Rochester Nordic Ski Club for co-sponsoring this event and continuing the tradition of Winterfest."

Winterfest 2003 activities will include horse drawn hayrides courtesy of Heberle Stables, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, face painting by Clowning with Heart, story telling, children's crafts and a number of vendor information and demonstration tables. There will be appearances by the Wegmans ZooMobile, the Joe Caruso Trio and the Monroe County Sheriff's Department Mounted Patrol and K-9 Units. In addition, the Mercy Flight Helicopter is scheduled to land in front of Stewart Lodge at approximately 2:00 p.m. (weather permitting).

This year also marks Mendon Ponds Park's 75th anniversary. There will be a cake cutting celebration at 3:15 p.m. in the Stewart Lodge.

Mendon Ponds Park is located in the southeastern portion of Monroe County. Visitors can enter the park from either Route 65 (Clover Street) or Pittsford-Mendon Center Road. Volunteers will be on hand throughout the park to distribute a schedule of Winterfest activities for the day and to answer questions from the public. A park map and activity schedule is also available online at www.rochesternordic.org/winterfest.

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